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SUBJECT: SECVISIT - ADMIN ARRANGEMENTS

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1. PARTICIPATION.

WE SHALL ANTICIPATE THE ARRIVAL OF THE SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY AT LONDON ON SPECIAL MILITARY AIRCRAFT AT APPROXIMATELY 1750 HOURS ON DECEMBER 11, AND LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING THE LIST OF 35 PERSONS WHO WILL BE ABOARD.

2. CUSTOMS, HEALTH AND IMMIGRATION.

BRITISH AUTHORITIES WILL WAIVE ALL IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS REQUIREMENTS. THEREFORE, PASSPORTS NEED NOT BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE TRIP CONTACT OFFICER TO EMBASSY OFFICER. THE ENTIRE PARTY WILL MOVE FROM AIRCRAFT TO PRIVATE CARS AND/OR BUS FOR DIRECT TRAVEL TO ASSIGNED HOTELS.

3. SECURITY.

EMBASSY PROCEEDING ON BASIS THAT OVERALL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS WILL BE ESSENTIALLY SAME AS THOSE PLANNED FOR THE CANCELLED SECVISIT IN OCTOBER. FULL PROGRAM WILL BE REVIEWED WITH SY OFFICER-IN-CHARGE AFTER HIS
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ARRIVAL AT LONDON.

4. ACCOMMODATIONS.

A. SLEEPING QUARTERS.

ONE SUITE AND 34 SINGLE ROOMS HAVE BEEN BOOKED ON ONE FLOOR OF CLARIDGE'S HOTEL WHICH IS 2 BLOCKS FROM CHANCERY.

B. OFFICE SPACE AND STAFF.

SEVEN DOUBLE ROOMS HAVE BEEN RESERVED AND WILL BE SET UP AS SPECIFIED TO ACCOMMODATE (1) SPECIAL ASSISTANT'S OFFICE; (2) HOLDING ROOM; (3) SY COMMAND POST; (4) STAFF OFFICE; (5-6) S/S-S OFFICE; AND (7) VISITOR CONTROL ROOM. DESKS, WORK TABLES, TELEPHONES, AND OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES WILL BE ON HAND.

C. SPECIAL TELEPHONE REQUIREMENTS.

TELEPHONE NETWORK WITH INTERCOM AND BUZZER ARRANGEMENTS CAN AND WILL BE INSTALLED.

D-E. PRE-REGISTRATION ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARTY BEING ARRANGED. ROOM KEYS WILL BE COORDINATED IN THE CONTROL ROOM. ACTUAL ROOM ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE CABLED LATER.

F. CREW ACCOMMODATIONS BEING COORDINATED BY THE OFFICE OF THE DEFENSE ATTACHE.

G. COSTS OF ROOMS (INCLUDING MANDATORY 10 PERCENT VAT AND 15 PERCENT SERVICE CHARGE) AT CLARIDGE'S HOTEL ARE:

SUITE \$150.00 PER DAY

DOUBLE \$60.00 PER DAY

SINGLE \$39.00 PER DAY

THREE AMERICAN-STYLE MEALS A DAY AT HOTEL PLUS INCIDENTALS WILL AVERAGE AN ADDITIONAL \$40.00 PER DAY PER PERSON.

5. GROUND TRANSPORTATION

INDIVIDUALLY ASSIGNED FOUR-DOOR SEDANS, DRIVEN BY EXPERIENCED AND SECURITY CLEARED CHAUFFEURS AND CONTROLLED BY TWO-WAY RADIOS FROM EITHER EMBASSY DESPATCHER'S OFFICE OR EMBASSY SECURITY OFFICE, WILL BE CONFIDENTIAL

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AVAILABLE 24-HOUR BASIS AS FOLLOWS:

(1) SEVEN-PASSENGER CADILLAC LIMOUSINE FOR SECRETARY.

(2) ONE VEHICLE FOR SECRETARY'S SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

(3) ONE VEHICLE FOR SECRETARIAT STAFF (S/S-S).

(4) TWO VEHICLES FOR SY AGENTS.

(5) ONE VEHICLE FOR WHCA PERSONNEL.

TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY

WILL BE PROVIDED FROM THE EMBASSY MOTOR POOL.

ENGLAND SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY WORSENING OIL

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CRISIS AND DRIVING OF ALL OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL CARS
ALREADY CURTAILED 20 PERCENT. WITH MANY FILLING STATIONS
CLOSED AND THE FEW STILL OPEN DRASTICALLY LIMITING
GASOLINE SALES, THE EMBASSY ANTICIPATES DIFFICULTY IN
PURCHASING GASOLINE REQUIREMENTS.

GAS RATIONING COUPONS NOW BEING ISSUED AND BY DECEMBER
12 BRITISH GOVERNMENT WILL BE IN THE POSITION TO
INITIATE MANDATORY RATIONING. SITUATION MID-DECEMBER
NOT FULLY CLEAR BUT WE SHALL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO
MEET TOTAL REQUIREMENTS OF PARTY. FORTUNATELY, MOST
ACTIVITIES ARE CENTERED AT EITHER CLARIDGE'S HOTEL OR
THE CHANCERY WHICH ARE BUT TWO BLOCKS APART THUS MAKING
WALKING BETWEEN THE TWO POINTS QUITE FEASIBLE.

B. HOST GOVERNMENT NOT EXPECTED TO PROVIDE OFFICIAL
VEHICLES.

C. CAR ASSIGNMENTS AND ARRIVAL SCENARIO, INCLUDING
DESIGNATION OF ESCORT OFFICERS, WILL BE OUTLINED SEPTTEL.

D. ESTIMATED DRIVING TIMES ARE:

1. AIRPORT TO HOTEL - 50 MINUTES.
2. AIRPORT TO RESIDENCE - 55 MINUTES.
3. AIRPORT TO EMBASSY - 50 MINUTES.
4. HOTEL TO RESIDENCE - 15 MINUTES.
5. HOTEL TO EMBASSY - 5 MIN. DRIVE (7 BLOCKS),

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- 5 MIN. WALK (2 BLOCKS).
- 6 HOTEL TO FOREIGN MINISTRY - 15 MINUTES.
7. RESIDENCE TO EMBASSY - 15 MINUTES.
8. RESIDENCE TO FOREIGN MINISTRY - 20 MINUTES.
9. EMBASSY TO FOREIGN MINISTRY - 15 MINUTES.
10. CLARIDGE'S TO EUROPA HOTEL (PILGRIMS DINNER)
2 MINUTE WALK (100 YARDS) OR 5 MINUTE DRIVE
(7 BLOCKS VIA ONE-WAY STREETS).

6. BAGGAGE

A. SECRETARY'S BAGGAGE WILL BE TRANSPORTED IN SEPARATE VEHICLE IN CARE OF SY AGENT AND EMBASSY OFFICER. FINAL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE IN CONJUNCTION WITH SY AGENT IN CHARGE.

B. OTHER BAGGAGE

ONE COVERED TWO AND ONE HALF TON TRUCK, EQUIPPED WITH RACK FOR DRESS AND SUIT BAGS, WILL TAKE PARTY'S BAGGAGE FROM AIRPORT TO CLARIDGE'S HOTEL. AN AMERICAN OFFICER PLUS SECURITY CLEARED BRITISH EMPLOYEES WILL ACCOMPANY TRUCK AND OVERSEE DISTRIBUTION AT HOTEL. AT DEPARTURE TIME, BAGGAGE WILL BE COLLECTED AT CONTROL ROOM AND BE TRANSPORTED TO AIRPORT UNDER SUPERVISION OF AMERICAN OFFICER.

7. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. TWO-WAY SIMULTANEOUS TELEPHONE CAPABILITY BETWEEN LONDON AND WHITE HOUSE WILL BE MAINTAINED ROUND-THE-CLOCK UTILIZING LONDON TOLL FACILITY WHICH EMBRACES TWO LEASED COMMERCIAL TIE LINES PLUS THREE AUTOVAN LINES WITH FLASH PRECEDENCE. ADDITIONALLY, EMBASSY HAS TIE LINE CONNECTIONS TO EMBASSIES AT BONN, PARIS (INCLUDING OECD), BRUSSELS (INCLUDING USEC, NATO), ROME, MADRID, AND US MISSION GENEVA.

B. S/S COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN PROJECTED ALONG LINES OF PREVIOUS VISITS WITH EXCEPTION THAT FOCUS FOR SYSTEM IS AT CLARIDGE'S HOTEL RATHER THAN CHANCERY. TOTAL 15 EXTENSIONS BEING INSTALLED BETWEEN HOTEL OFFICES AND EMBASSY. NEEDED ADJUSTMENTS, IF ANY, WILL BE MADE AFTER RECEIPT SEPTEL OUTLINING OVERALL REQUIREMENTS.

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C. CABLE COVERAGE WILL BE ON 24-HOUR BASIS WITH LONDON'S COMMUNICATORS WORKING OVERTIME AS NECESSARY TO HANDLE HIGH PRECEDENCE, HIGH VOLUME TRAFFIC. AVAILABILITY OF OPTICAL CHARACTER READER WILL INSURE SPEEDY PROCESSING ALL OUTGOING TRAFFIC.

D. USIS WILL PROVIDE COPIES OF UPI, REUTERS, AND BRITISH PRESS ASSOCIATION TICKER TAPE AT TWO-HOUR INTERVALS AROUND THE CLOCK. USIS WIRELESS FILE WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE. COPIES OF LONDON'S MAJOR NEWSPAPERS AS WELL AS COPIES OF THE PARIS EDITION OF THE HERALD TRIBUNE WILL BE PROVIDED.

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8. SECURE AREA

ROOMS OCCUPIED BY THE SECRETARY, THE SECRETARY'S SPECIAL AND PERSONAL ASSISTANTS, AND THE STAFF AND S/S-S OFFICERS WILL BE WITHIN AN AREA CONTROLLED ON 24-HOUR BASIS BY MARINE SECURITY GUARDS.

9. VISITORS CONTROL ROOM.

CONTROL ROOM WILL BE MAINTAINED AT CLARIDGE'S AND
PROVIDE:

A. ACCOMMODATION EXCHANGE FACILITIES AT ALL TIMES.

B. MAPS, BOOKLETS, AND GENERAL INFORMATION ON COMMUNITY,
HOTEL AND EMBASSY FACILITIES, AND

C. CIGARETTES, BEVERAGES, AND SUNDRIES FOR SALE.

D. FOREIGN SERVICE LOCAL EMPLOYEE JOAN AUTEN AND FSL
MEMBERS OF HER TRANSPORTATION UNIT WILL ASSIST IN
CONTROL ROOM OPERATIONS.

E. EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES SPECIFIED FOR CONTROL ROOM
WILL BE READY.

F. BAR FACILITIES NOT PLANNED IN CONTROL ROOM.

G. CONTROL ROOM ON SAME FLOOR AS ENTIRE PARTY BUT WILL
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BE OUTSIDE SECURE AREA.

10. FUNDING.

GUIDELINES FOR THE SEPARATION AND PAYMENT OF BILLS HAVE
BEEN NOTED AND ARE UNDERSTOOD. NO DIFFICULTY ANTI-
CIPATED IN MEETING SEPARATE VOUCHERING REQUIREMENTS.

11. GIFTS.

GIFT CONTROL OFFICER IS WILLIAM WOESSNER. REQUEST EARLY
ADVICE CONCERNING GIFT THE SECRETARY PLANS GIVE FOREIGN
SECRETARY SIR ALEX DOUGLAS HOME SO THAT FCO MAY BE
ALERTED. ARE ANY OTHER GIFTS ANTICIPATED?

12. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. DECEMBER 11, 12, AND 13 EXPECTED BE BUSINESS-AS-USUAL
DAYS FOR THE EMBASSY AND THE LONDON COMMUNITY. WHILE
THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF LABOR ACTION WHICH COULD PARTLY
DISRUPT OPERATION OF RAIWAYS AND LOCAL BUS AND SUBWAY
SYSTEMS, IT IS NOT BELIEVED THAT SUCH AN EVENTUALITY
WOULD AFFECT MOVEMENT OF THE SECRETARY OR HIS PARTY.

B. COMMUNITY SANITATION STANDARDS MATCH THOSE OF US.
NO HEALTH PRECAUTIONS ARE NECESSARY.

C. ELECTRIC CURRENT IS 220 VOLT, 50 CYCLE. CLARIDGE'S
HOTEL HAS ELECTRIC CONVERTER INSTALLATIONS IN BATHROOMS
WHICH PERMIT USE OF 110 VOLT, 60 CYCLE SHAVERS. A STEP-
DOWN 220/110 TRANSFORMER IS REQUIRED FOR HAIR DRYERS AND
SIX SUCH TRANSFORMERS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE CONTROL

ROOM.

D. LONDON WEATHER IS LIKELY TO BE GENERALLY BRISK.
DAYTIME TEMPERATURES RANGE IN 40'S AND 50'S. EVENING
TEMPERATURES WILL HOVER IN 30'S. POSSIBILITY OF RAIN
ALWAYS PRESENT. WINTER CLOTHING RECOMMENDED. RAINCOAT
AND UMBRELLA ADVISABLE.

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BECAUSE ENGLAND IS EXPERIENCING BOTH A SERIOUS DIS-
RUPTION IN COAL MINING INDUSTRY AND SEVERE CURTAILMENT
OF FUEL OIL SUPPLIES, THE AUTHORITIES HAVE REQUESTED
THAT THE TEMPERATURES IN BUILDINGS AND HOMES NOT EXCEED
THE HIGH 60'S. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, SWEATERS AND
WARM CLOTHING ARE NEEDED.

THE SECRETARY AND THOSE WHO WILL ACCOMPANY HIM TO THE
PILGRIMS STAG DINNER WILL REQUIRE BLACK TIE. OTHER
MEMBERS OF THE PARTY WILL NEED ONLY INFORMAL CLOTHING.
BUSINESS SUITS FOR THE MEN AND SHORT RECEPTION/DINNER
DRESSES FOR THE LADIES WILL BE SUFFICIENT FOR ALL FORE-
SEEABLE ACTIVITIES.

13. SECVISIT CONTACTS.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH TRIP CONTACT OFFICER

ROBERT MILLER AND TRIP PROJECT OFFICER CHARLES REILLY.
ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OFFICER AT LONDON IS COUNSELOR
FOR ADMINISTRATION WILLIAM D. CALDERHEAD WHO CAN BE
REACHED AT EMBASSY ON OFFICE EXTENSION 234 OR HOME
EXTENSION 230. HIS OUTSIDE HOME NUMBER IS 262-2326.
POLITICAL COUNSELOR WILLIAM J. GALLOWAY IS THE
COORDINATOR FOR THE CHIEFS OF MISSION CONFERENCE. HE
CAN BE REACHED THROUGH THE EMBASSY SWITCHBOARD ON OFFICE
EXTENSION 111 OR ON HIS HOME EXTENSION 150. HIS OUTSIDE
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HOME NUMBER IS 262-3571. FSO JOHN RIY WILL
MEET SECRETARY'S TEAM AND ASSIST AS REQUIRED IN
ORGANIZING PREPARATIONS. HE CAN BE REACHED
ON 9Z"EXTENSION 413, OR AT HOME ON 235-8776.
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